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of age and marks in the qualifying examination are also available for SGST students in some of the RECs. The percentage of actual admissions of SC/ST candidates vary widely in different RECs, Courses and in different years.

Construction of building for NBT

1484. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a prestigious institution like National Book Trust, continues to be housed in a rented building all these years;

(b) whether there is any proposal to move the Trust into a building of its own; and

(c) if so how long would it take Government to facilitate it?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes Sir. There is a proposal to move the Trust into a building of its own.

(c) The construction work on the site at Institutional Area, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi commenced in March, 2000. The CPWD has given twenty-four months time to complete the construction work.

Approval of Engineering and Technical (DEG) Institutions

1485. SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA; Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many Engineering and Technical (Deg.) Institutions have been approved, State-wise;

(b) what is the intake of each State in Degree Courses in Engineering and Technical Courses from 1996 to 2000;

(c) whether it is a fact that under the pretext of reviewing the scenario of technical education in the country, AICTE